

much. We invited him over the mountains to see us, and on the evening of the 13th, he came up, smiling and happy. The evening however, proved unpropitious, although Brother Knepper is a strong advocate of "much water," the evening had a little *too* much, consequently, no service. But the following evenings we were splendidly entertained. The sermons were fresh from the mountains of Berlin, thoroughly aired and purified, free from malarial influences, lively and exhilarating, and they did us all much good. Brother Knepper is known throughout the church, a good preacher, and socially, there is none better. Traveling as he does, the hills and mountains of old Somerset has given him the great blessing of health, which we really envied. Afflicted (?) however, with slight stomach trouble, of which we were not aware, until we saw him disposing of buckwheat cakes and fresh sausage, then we made inquiry, and he enlightened us to the effect that his stomach was his only trouble, and that was to have it satisfied. On Monday morning he took his departure, leaving on an early train. Sharing with him the couch at the home of a good brother and sister, "Johnnie" had sent in his order for buckwheat cakes for breakfast. A little tardy in awakening, necessitated haste in preparing breakfast. We volunteered to run the cake department. The dominie, with three others sat down. We took an invoice of stock baked, on hand, felt confident we were able to meet all reasonable demands. A two foot griddle, turning out 3, 8 inch cakes every two minutes. But alas! Our reserve was like unto that of the Government gold reserve, inadequate. The Somerset end of the double tree was well in the advance, but we persisted, knowing that there was a time for all things, we longed for the time to stop, and it came. Train! Good-bye! Curtain drops. Everybody became the friend of Brother Knepper, and no one will be more cordially welcomed than "Johnnie." Our church at McKee is moving on nicely, with excellent congregations.

Fraternally,
W. L. SPANOGLE.

GRETN, OHIO.

It has been some time since we have heard anything from our little band at Gretna through the EVANGELIST. We are still progressing slowly in the cause of Christ. We had a member meeting on Saturday evening, October 17, for the purpose of electing new officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Brunson was elected as Trustee; Miss Minnie Snapp, Clerk; Mrs. Hattie Miller, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Mame Miller, Organist and Miss

Addie Detrick, Assistant Organist. Our S. S. C. E. at this place is growing in the good work.

Our pastor, Brother White, not being able to be present with us last Sabbath, our regular preaching day, we had Sabbath-school and C. E. meeting.

"All things work together for good to those that love the Lord." Pray for us.

MRS. HATTIE MILLER.

REPORT OF PENNSYLVANIA CHURCH CONVENTION.

Continued from last week.

The Treasurer of the Mission Board reported as follows:

Balance on hand from 1895,	\$ 20.85
Receipts from Sec. M. B.,	463.18
Total,	\$494.03

Disbursements.

To J. B. Wampler for expenses to National Conference, 1895,	13.00
To J. B. Wampler for Evangelistic services,	274.20
To M. M. Sterling for Evangelistic services,	202.08
Total,	\$489.28

Balance on hand, \$4.75

ALBERT TRENT, Treas.

The report was adopted.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to consider the paper of E. E. Haskins from which to draft a plan for future Mission work. The chair appointed the committee as follows:

Daniel Crofford, Albert Trent, R. Z. Replogle, E. E. Haskins, E. H. Smith.

Report of State Evangelist for Western District of Pennsylvania for seven and one-half months.

Sermons and Lectures,	169
Visits,	123
Persons anointed,	1
Communion held,	1
Added by confession and baptism,	12
Restored,	1
Total expenses,	37.63
Collections and donations,	33.68

Amount above collections and donations, \$3.95

J. B. WAMPLER, Evangelist.

Report of State Evangelist for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Sermons preached,	251
Accessions,	15
Collections,	68.39
Expenses,	57.57

Amount above expenses, \$10.82

M. M. STERLING, Evangelist.

The committee on plan for Mission work reported as follows:

We, your committee, recommend for

this conference year, 1. A general secretary of church extension whose duty it shall be to investigate the Scriptural wants of mission organizations and solicit funds from pastoral congregations where necessary. 2. We request a continuance of the twenty-five cents per capita from pastoral charges. 3. We recommend a well-organized Self-Denial Band all through our churches and homes. 4. That the above named Secretary shall be general organizer of said Self-Denial Bands. 5. That the above named Secretary be chosen by this convention by nominations and ballot and he be a member ex officio of the Mission Board. 6. That the Evangelist, or Evangelists, be selected by the Mission Board in co-operation with local organizations where such work is to be done. Signed by committee.

The report was adopted.

J. C. Mackey offered the following resolution:

Inasmuch as our dear brother Bishop Henry R. Holsinger has removed within our bounds and is now in delicate health and incapacitated for ministerial labors, and inasmuch as our brother is at present engaged in preparing an Historical Theology for the Brethren Church. Therefore,

Resolved, That this Conference of the Brethren Church of Pennsylvania express its high appreciation of our dear brother's multifarious and eminently successful services in the past, and that we hereby record our unfeigned affection for him as well as our admiration of his splendid achievements as the founding Father by Divine Power of the Brethren Church in America.

That we sincerely sympathize with Brother Holsinger in his physical affliction and promise him our hearty support in the work he has undertaken.

Resolved, Further, that as a convention in view of Brother Holsinger's services already rendered and also in view of his forthcoming Historical Theology of the Brethren Church, we proceed to arrange for an appropriation to be made our brother from our grateful willing hearts.

APPENDIX.

Resolved, That we memorialize the several District Conferences to take similar action. Passed.

The chair appointed E. E. Haskins and J. C. Mackey a committee on the foregoing resolution.

The committee reported about \$135 in cash and subscriptions for Brother Holsinger.

J. B. Wampler reported in behalf of the Board of Appeals and the report was accepted.

Mission was then taken up and discuss-